CLP Leader Terry Mills today visited the Darwin Coldstores to say thank you and give support to the many volunteers who have been helping to organise the numerous donations made to the Tsunami Relief Appeal held at the Christ Church Cathedral last week.

"The generosity of the Darwin community is overwhelming. I am incredibly humbled and proud of the people of Darwin and their ability to help out our neighbours in times of crisis like this," Mr Mills said.

"The Tsunami Disaster Relief Appeal collected an array of donations for distribution to those areas worst effected and the generosity of Territorians has resulted in at least 150 pallets of goods now available for aid purposes.

"On Monday there were over 70 volunteers at the Darwin Coldstores helping to organise and pack the boxes for shipping and distribution. It was a huge effort by all of the volunteers and I take my hat off to each and every one of them.

"I have been inundated with stories of enormous generosity, including a person who spent $600 of their own money at a hardware store to purchase tools like spades, shovels and picks to donate to the appeal. There have also been large donations of medical supplies including essential equipment like surgical gowns, masks and bandages.

"Territorians from all walks of life have put their hand up to help coordinate the distribution of donations into essential and non essential items as well as many more businesses that have helped in a variety of ways from the storage of the donations to the collection and delivery of donations.

"No one can replace the many thousands of lives lost, but it is reassuring to see Territorians show their support through donations that will go some way to making the lives of survivors more bearable as they face the long road ahead to rebuilding their lives."

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